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## EXHIBIT A

## CLAIM (S)

What we claim is:

- 1. (Withdrawn)
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  - 6. (Withdrawn)

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- 7. (Currently Amended) A protector pad for use with a piece of furniture with legs, the pad being constituted of a flat body of a certain thickness and comprising two pad faces:
  - a lower pad face (22) which is soft, destined to slide against delicate surfaces without scratching them and,
  - an upper pad face (26)—wherein an adhesive is injected as to render its surface even, said second pad face destined to be fixed to the bottom of said leg (28) of said piece of furniture, the protector pad of claim—I wherein—said flat body is constituted of two pieces, each having a certain thickness: a base (32) and a sole (34); the base comprising a fabric (38) with a superior face forming said upper pad face the latter is an adhesive surface (26), and wherein an inferior face (36) comprises first means for assembly; the sole comprising a lower layer (46) whose inferior face forms said lower pad face (22) and an upper layer (42) with a superior face (43) comprising second means for assembly; said means for assembly destined to assemble said sole (34) to said base (32), wherein said first means of assembly constitute of a number of grabbing members hooks (36), The base of claim 6 wherein said fabric is a mushroom-type Velero

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- (36) wherein said grabbing members are said hooks having a mushroom shaped grabbing members (36).
- 8. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad sole</u> of claim 5. 7 wherein <u>said</u> second means of assembly (42) comprises fibers forming arches (44).
- 5 9. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad sole</u> of claim 8 wherein the material of said upper layer (42) of said sole (34) is felt in which the fibers form said arches.
  - 10. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad sole (34)</u> of claim 9 wherein said felt <u>comprises</u> <u>materials from a group comprising material consists</u> either of polyester or and natural fibers.
  - 11. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad wherein said</u> sole (34) of claim 5 7 comprising also a central layer (48) in addition to said <u>inferior and superior</u> layers, said central layer constituted of a reinforced material.
- 15 12. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad</u> sole (34) of claim 5 11 wherein said superior layer (42) and inferior (46) layers are made of felt material.
  - 13. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad</u> sole of claim 12 wherein said felt material consists either of polyester or natural fibers.
- 14. (Currently amended) The <u>protector pad sole (34)</u> of claim 11 wherein said <u>superior upper (42)</u> and <u>inferior lower (46)</u> layers are made of felt material and wherein said reinforced material is hardened felt obtained by making the sole material from two sheets of felt put into contact and where the region of contact is exposed to heat thus temporarily melting the surface felt which hardens once both sheets are in contact.